

300 DEATHS FROM LUZON ERUPTION

FATAL TIDAL WAVE FOLLOWS DISTURBANCE AT MT. TAAL, NEAR MANILA.

VOLCANO BELCHES FIRE

Dense Clouds of Smoke Rising From Crater Plainly Visible From Seat of Philippine Government—Lava Burns Natives.

Manila, Jan. 31.—Twenty natives were drowned in the tidal wave that accompanied the volcanic outbreak of Mount Taal, according to reports received by the local papers.

All of the towns within a radius of 20 miles were more or less damaged by the shower of mud and stones.

The sky was cloudless and there was no wind, but the muddy rain fell steadily. The natives have abandoned their village homes in the vicinity of Lake Taal and are seeking refuge in the surrounding hills.

In Center of Lake. Mount Taal rises in the center of Lake Taal, a body of water not more than 15 miles in circumference. It is 34 miles from this city, from which dense clouds of smoke rising from the crater are plainly visible.

The observatory authorities believe that Manila is in no danger, but there is some alarm among the natives, who recall the destruction caused by Mount Mayon, the other volcano of Luzon, in 1897. So far, however, Mayon has shown no threatening disturbance.

Investigators of the bureau of science report that with the first violent eruption of Taal, the volcanic island appeared to sink five feet and the waters of the lake, rising, swept the shores a mile inland, carrying away the bamboo shacks and catching a score of natives. Others living in the vicinity had taken warning and fled at the first rumblings of the volcano. The towns of Taal, Lomery and Palisay seem to have suffered most.

Reports 300 Persons Killed.

Manila, Jan. 31.—An American school teacher, who has traversed the west shore of Lake Taal, telegraphs that five small villages were destroyed by the tidal wave and that not less than 300 persons have been killed in that vicinity. Many were burned in fires started by molten masses.

Volcano More or Less Active.

Mount Taal rises 1,650 feet from the center of Lake Taal, province of Batangas, Luzon. It is the second volcano in importance in Luzon and has experienced eight violent disturbances preceding the present one since 1789. It has been more or less active from time immemorial. Its most destructive eruption occurred in 1784 and continued for a period of six months, causing much loss of life and enormous destruction of property. There were less serious outbreaks in 1808 and 1873.

In 1769 Mount Mayon was in eruption for two months, destroying the towns of Cagsausa and Malinao, together with several villages. In 1814 it burst forth again, destroying five towns, and another eruption in May, 1897, when 400 lost their lives. The latest outbreak, less severe, was in March, 1900.

Carrie Nation Sinking Fast.

Eureka Springs, Ark., Jan. 31.—According to a report here, Carrie Nation is rapidly failing and death is expected soon. She was recently sent from here to a private sanitarium near Leavenworth, Kas.

J. F. Jefferies, of near Fulton, was in town Tuesday.

AGENT WANTED: The West Tennessee Monument Co., Union City, will make liberal terms with energetic agent to sell marble.—West Tennessee Monument Co., Union City, Tenn. 4tc

At the Methodist Church, the following programme for services may always be expected, unless some special change be announced: Prayer meeting at 7 o'clock Wednesday evening; on Sunday, Sunday School at 9:45 a. m., at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., preaching by the pastor, Rev. G. W. Wilson. All church members are requested to be as regular in attendance as possible, others are cordially invited.

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AUTHORITIES GET LIGHT ON ELSIE SIGEL MURDER.

New York Police Officials Involved in Disclosures of Law-Breaking Plots.

New York, Jan. 31.—Acting in conjunction with the federal authorities, Second Deputy Police Commissioner Flynn began an investigation which it is believed will lead to the apprehension of the murderer of Elsie Sigel, and will disclose the secrets of an organized band of Chinese smugglers whose operations have been of such magnitude as to alarm the customs officials.

Recent disclosures involve a few local police officials, who are said to have aided in the protection of Chinese who have done a large business in smuggling fellow countrymen into the United States by way of Canada. Not only has the general scheme of a Chinese syndicate, formed for the purpose of defying the Chinese exclusion laws, been discovered, but the names of several ringleaders are in the hands of the federal authorities, with a list of the police officials who are said to have been working with them.

The evidence in the hands of the United States district attorney in the form of letters found in a store on Seventh avenue, which was raided by customs inspectors. Several letters in English from police officials are said to be of incriminating character.

It was said by a man who has seen most of the translations already made that they contain positive clues to the whereabouts of Leon Ling, who has been sought by the police in connection with the murder of Elsie Sigel.

COUNTRESS WHIPS CASHIER

Wife of Count Carboneau Plies Lash on Nome City (Alaska) Bank Official.

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 31.—Countess Carboneau, wife of Count Carboneau, a French aristocrat and owner of Alaska mines, and A. F. Ruser, cashier of the Nome City (Alaska) bank, figured in a horsewhipping episode here.

Ruser says he was lured into a hotel, overpowered and gagged by two unknown men while the countess plied the lash.

Ruser says he got the enmity of the countess because of charges of embezzlement made by the management of the Nome City bank against Miss Margaret Mulrooney, a sister of the countess and formerly connected with the bank cashier.

SHIPS CRASH, FOUR DIE

British Steamer Sinks Schooner in Collision in Heavy Fog Off Wales.

Swansea, Wales, Jan. 31.—Four men perished at sea and two others had narrow escapes from drowning when the British steamer Irena ran down the schooner Wilam in a heavy fog off Selwick.

News of the disaster was brought here when the Irena arrived in port. The steamer crashed into the schooner amidships and she rapidly became waterlogged.

Bryan to Aid Arizona Constitution.

El Paso, Tex., Jan. 31.—William J. Bryan will speak in Arizona on behalf of the state constitution to be voted on February 9. He opens in Bisbee on February 5.

Hot Rock Causes Woman's Death.

Lebanon, Ky., Jan. 31.—The hot rock used in warming the bed set fire to her garments and caused the death of Mrs. Mary Carlisle here.

LOST: In Hickman Thursday night a gold watch, engine turned case, Waltham movement, with Elk's tooth fob attached. Finder return to me of the Courier office.—Gaulder Johnson.

No. 100—Will sell on easy terms a nice 5-room residence on Troy ave. Big lot, concrete walks, cistern, etc. Place can be had for \$100 less than owner paid, which was paid before improvements were made. Good reasons for selling. Inquire at Courier office.

Courier readers, who were so delighted in bygone years with the sermons of Dr. Talmage, will be pleased with a series of sermons by Rev. Russell, of Brooklyn, which begins in this issue of the Courier. These discourses are absolutely without denominational color, and should appeal to all in a like measure. They are strictly in accord with the times, and are said by many to surpass the works of Dr. Talmage. We have made arrangements, at considerable cost, to give our readers this service while it is fresh, and trust it will be read with interest.

Mott Ayers wants to sell his interest in the Fulton Leader to some one who has \$4,000 or \$5,000 to invest. Evidently he still owns more than a controlling interest.

Our Roll of Honor.

Some more of the Courier's handsome and scholarly folks who have subscribed for the Great Religious Weekly since our last report:

Rev. G. W. Wilson.
Atty. T. N. Smith.
Mrs. Mollie Johnson.
J. D. Roper.
Val Carpenter.
R. S. Allison.
Hon. Wm. Addams.
C. M. Brown.
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G. Errol McGehee.
C. C. Bondurant.
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J. T. Ann.
S. P. Henry.
S. M. Hale.
G. M. Covey.
R. B. Ballow.
Ed Townsend.
Jesse McNeil.
W. H. Rice.
D. W. Hepler.
Mrs. W. H. Routen.
Chas. Foulkes.
Mrs. Anna Read.
Joe Dial.
Prof. J. A. Clark.
Mrs. J. R. Ramsey.
Miss Effie Wright.
Mrs. Mollie Newton.
Arthur B. Fleming.
J. S. Maddox.
Ray S. Fleming.
Homer King.
J. M. Williams.
Lewis Hegmon.
Mrs. Josephine Helm.
Aubrey B. Kirk.
Ida Bramham.
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L. Burton Acquitted.

Labron Burton, who was tried in Circuit Court at Fulton last week on charge of killing Detective Wray last summer, was acquitted by a Graves county jury after 48 hours deliberation. It is understood that the jury stood four for conviction and eight for acquittal up to Sunday morning. It was impossible to get a jury in this county, and Judge Reed ordered Sheriff Gaulder Johnson to fill the panel from Graves county.

Burton is now a free man. His jury said he ought to be free.

It is putting it mild to say that this verdict was a surprise to most of the law-abiding citizens of the county. A general dissatisfaction is growing on account of the cheapness of human life. It begins to look as though the purpose was lost in the process. There are entirely too many killings and not enough convictions in Fulton county. It is not the fault of courts nor laws, but our juries.

We need a change in some form; we need more enforcement of law, which in turn would create a greater respect for it, and ultimately minimize the taking of life. The rottenness of some of the defenses made are disgusting to an extreme. Self defense, in a clean, legitimate manner, is a thing that all men are justly entitled to, but it is the trumped up business, which is no doubt resorted to in many instances, that does the harm, and which is being criticized by many.

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Mrs. J. T. Stephens will entertain the Embroidery Club on Friday afternoon.

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FOR RENT: Front rooms to either roomers or for light housekeeping. Apply to Mrs. Kate Whiting. 2tp

WANTED: A good cook and house girl or boy. Good wages. References required.—Mrs. R. T. Tyler. 1f

Mrs. Mollie Johnson and children left first of the week for Kennedy, Mo., to visit her father, N. W. Oakley.

Remember, if you don't send the cash with your coal order, I charge you 10 per cent extra for collecting.—A. A. Faris.

Mrs. Neeley Gautschi has returned to St. Louis after spending several months with her sister, Mrs. Kate Whiting, and brother, J. P. Cusick.

Rush McGehee, son of Mrs. M. McGehee, of Fulton county, died at Harrisburg, Pa., Monday, where he was in the employ of the J. I. Case Threshing Machine Co. He was 30 years old.—Clinton Gazette.

The meeting of the State Democratic Committee, which was set for Jan. 25, was postponed until Feb. 4, for the reason that the sub-committee was not ready to make its report and asked for further time.

The Courier wants all the local news in Fulton county, deaths, births, marriages, entertainments, visitors from abroad, etc., and will be obliged if people will notify us by calling at the office or telephoning a line.

If you get a blue mark on the upper right hand corner of your Courier this week, it means that your subscription has expired. Renew at once if you don't want the paper stopped.

The Juvenile Missionary Society will have a "Mother Goose" entertainment at Mrs. S. L. Dodds', Saturday evening, at 7:15. Admission 15c for adults and 10c for children under 12 years. Everybody invited.

No. 101—Prettiest lot in Southern Heights, if taken within the next few days can be bought for \$475. All improvements—concrete walks, electric lights, city water works, etc. Size 62½x150. Good view of river, etc.—Courier office.

The Omnibus Claim Bill, aggregating approximately \$3,000,000, embracing reparation mostly for damages in the South in connection with war depredations, was killed for this session by the House Committee on Claims, which, after a subcommittee investigation, indefinitely postponed action.

A FEW FIGURES.

Frankfort.—The census office has issued the following advance statements of population of places in Kentucky: Franklin, 3,063; Oakland, 257; Richmond, 145; Smith's Grove, 728; Woodburn, 217.

Frankfort.—Schools all over Kentucky will be asked to observe February 3 as Greeley day and to have exercises which will call the attention of the children to the great newspaper man.

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Notice.

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